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1. Following is a report of traffic on the Transcaspian Railway through Dushak, Turkman SSR, of road traffic to and from Dushak, and of Soviet military activity in the Dushak area for the period 28 March to 4 April 1952.

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2. The omission of certain whole or half days [redacted] because of inclement weather. The omissions can, therefore, be taken as an indication of the number of days of poor visibility in the area. [redacted]

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Traffic</u>	<u>Direction</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Rail:</u> <u>Road:</u>	<u>No. of Cars</u> <u>Type Vehicle</u>
28/3/52	Rail	westbound	1015	1 train composed of	60 red tankcars
		westbound	1130	1 train composed of	15 green passenger cars
		eastbound	1300	1 train composed of	10 flatcars and 23 small red boxcars
		westbound	1330	1 train composed of	2 locomotives and 70 tank cars
		westbound	1530	1 train composed of	30 red, multi-truck boxcars
		eastbound	1545	1 train composed of	20 multi-truck boxcars and 22 small red boxcars
		westbound	1730	1 train composed of	37 flatcars, small boxcars, and multi-truck boxcars
		eastbound	1745	1 train composed of	3 green cars

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28/3/52	Road	Post-i-Khojeh to Dushak	1100	truck	
		Serakhs to Dushak	1130	truck	
		Dushak to Serakhs	1315	truck	
		Dushak to Tedzhend	1400	truck and automobile	
		Dushak to Bulan	1500	jeep	
		Dushak to Kaakhka	1510	truck	
		Dushak to Kaakhka	1530	jeep	
		Serakhs to Dushak	1630	truck	
		Dushak to Tedzhend	1715	truck	
	Military activity	Three troops of soldiers exercised within the vicinity of Dushak. The formation dispersed at noon.			
29/3/52	Rail	westbound	0700	1 train composed of 3 cars	
		eastbound	0730	1 train composed of 14 cars	
		westbound	0900	1 train composed of 32 multi-truck boxcars and 14 small boxcars	
		eastbound	0930	1 train composed of 30 red tankcars	
		westbound	1130	1 train composed of 16 passenger cars	
		eastbound	1215	1 train composed of 24 multi-truck boxcars, 8 flatcars, and 24 small boxcars	
		westbound	1330	1 locomotive	
		eastbound	1420	1 train composed of 53 red tankcars	
		westbound	1545	1 train composed of 24 tankcars and 3 multi-truck boxcars	
		eastbound	1630	1 train composed of 33 small boxcars and 17 multi-truck boxcars	
		eastbound	1730	1 train composed of 22 red tankcars	
	Road	Dushak to Kaakhka	0730	truck	
		Dushak to Post-i-Shurjeh	0745	truck carrying 10 soldiers and their equipment to Post-i-Shurjeh	
		Bulan to Dushak	0830	jeep	
		Dushak to Kaakhka	0900	truck	
		Dushak to Tedzhend	0920	2 trucks	
		Serakhs to Dushak	1100	truck	
		Dushak to Serakhs	1115	jeep	
		Dushak to Post-i-Khojeh	1230	truck	
		Dushak to north	1400	truck	
		Dushak to flour mill	1440	jeep	
		Flour mill to Dushak	1510	jeep	
		Dushak to Tedzhend	1530	truck	
		Dushak to Serakhs	1615	truck	
		Dushak to Kaakhka	1700	truck	
25X1	Military activity	[redacted] 100 artillery shots, the sound of which came from the direction of Kaakhka.			
30/3/52	Rail	eastbound	0800	1 train composed of 6 multi-truck boxcars and 42 red tankcars	
		westbound	0830	1 train composed of 93 small tankcars	
		eastbound	0930	1 train composed of 10 flatcars and 33 multi-truck boxcars	
		eastbound	1030	1 train composed of 2 locomotives and 43 red tankcars	
		eastbound	1100	1 train composed of 10 cars	
		eastbound	1200	1 train composed of 2 locomotives and 38 red tankcars	

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Date	Traffic	Direction	Time	Rail: Road:	No. of Cars Type Vehicle	
30/3/52	Rail	westbound	1215	1 train composed of 16 green passenger cars and 1 baggage car		
		westbound	1300	1 train composed of 20 small boxcars and 25 multi-truck boxcars		
		westbound	1400	1 train composed of 12 cars		
		westbound	1500	1 train composed of 44 red tankcars		
		westbound	1615	1 train composed of 1 white car, 17 multi-truck boxcars and 28 small boxcars		
		westbound	1700	1 green locomotive		
	Road	Dushak to Tedzhend	0710	truck		
		Post-i-Khojeh to Post-i-Shurjeh	0800	jeep		
		Serakhs to Dushak	0830	truck		
		Dushak to Kaakhka	1000	truck		
		Dushak to Tedzhend	1130	truck		
		Post-i-Shurjeh to Dushak	1130	jeep		
		Dushak to Tedzhend	1230	2 trucks		
		Dushak to Bulan	1400	truck		
		Dushak to Serakhs	1415	jeep		
		Dushak to Serakhs	1500	truck		
		North to Dushak	1620	truck		
		Dushak to Kaakhka	1630	automobile		
		Bulan to Dushak	1700	truck		
31/3/52	Rail	westbound	0730	1 train composed of 2 green cars		
		eastbound	0800	1 train composed of 12 small boxcars and 14 multi-truck boxcars		
		westbound	0930	1 train composed of 2 locomotives, 40 flatcars, and 33 multi-truck boxcars		
		westbound	1130	1 train composed of 18 green passenger cars		
		westbound	1230	1 train composed of 65 tankcars		
		eastbound	1300	1 train composed of 34 boxcars, tankcars, and flatcars		
		eastbound	1400	1 train composed of 10 multi-truck boxcars and 45 small boxcars		
		westbound	1530	1 train composed of 60 small red tankcars		
		eastbound	1600	1 train composed of 6 red boxcars		
		westbound	1730	1 train composed of 2 locomotives and 35 red tankcars		
		Road	Post-i-Shurjeh to Dushak	0630	truck	
			Dushak to Kaakhka	0715	truck	
	Dushak to Kaakhka		0830	truck		
	Serakhs to Dushak		0840	small truck		
	Dushak to Tedzhend		0900	automobile		
	Dushak to Serakhs		1000	truck		
	Dushak to Yekeh-Tutl		1015	truck		
	Dushak to Tedzhend	1300	2 trucks			
	Bulan to Post-i-Shurjeh	1430	jeep			
Post-i-Shurjeh to Dushak	1530	jeep				
Dushak to north	1500	truck (sic)				
Dushak to Serakhs	1610	truck				

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31/3/52	Road	Dushak to Kaakhka	1630	truck	
		Dushak to Kaakhka	1700	jeep	
	Military activity	At 0830 hours, 200 mounted soldiers were observed engaged in military exercises at Malek Azhdar. At the same time, two troops of soldiers, with 40 men to a troop, were observed engaged in military exercises within a kilometer of Dushak. The mounted soldiers returned to Dushak at 1500 hours. The foot soldiers returned to Dushak at 1200 hours.			
4/4/52	Rail	westbound	0800	1 train composed of 52 red tankcars	
		eastbound	0815	1 train composed of 20 small boxcars and 30 multi-truck boxcars	
		westbound	1000	1 train composed of 10 small boxcars and 26 multi-truck boxcars	
		westbound	1100	1 train composed of 16 green passenger cars	
		eastbound	1115	1 train composed of 13 small boxcars and 23 red, multi-truck boxcars	
		westbound	1300	1 train composed of 6 small boxcars and 15 red, multi-truck boxcars	
		eastbound	1330	1 train composed of 15 red, multi-truck boxcars and 14 flatcars	
		westbound	1500	1 train composed of 45 red tankcars	
		eastbound	1535	1 train composed of 52 red, multi-truck tankcars	
		eastbound	1700	1 train composed of 30 multi-truck tankcars and 23 small tankcars	
		westbound	1730	1 train composed of 20 tankcars	
	Road	Dushak to Post-i-Shurjeh	0730	truck with 3 officers	
		Post-i-Shurjeh to Bulan	0800	truck	
		Dushak to Post-i-Khojeh	0800	truck	
		Dushak to Tedzhend	0830	truck	
		Dushak to Kaakhka	0920	2 trucks	
		Dushak to Tedzhend	1000	truck	
		Dushak to Serakhs	1030	truck	
		Serakhs to Dushak	1115	truck	
		Dushak to Kaakhka	1330	jeep	
		Dushak to Post-i-Shurjeh	1400	truck	
		Post-i-Khojeh to Dushak	1400	truck	
		Dushak to Tedzhend	1430	truck	
		Serakhs to Dushak	1515	jeep	
		Bulan to Dushak	1540	jeep	
		Dushak to Kaakhka	1700	truck	
	Military activity	At 0800 hours, one troop of mounted soldiers which numbered about 200 men was observed moving out of Dushak toward a hill near Aqcheh Qaleh, where it engaged in military exercises. Two troops of soldiers on foot engaged in military exercises in the immediate vicinity of Dushak. The mounted soldiers and the foot soldiers returned to the town at 1400 hours.			

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3. The following is a tabulation of daily traffic for the period of time covered by this report and includes daily averages of the preceding months.

1952	Rail		Vehicular			
	East	West	East	West	North	South
	Trains	Cars	Trains	Cars		
28 March	3	78	5	212	4	4 1 1
29 March	6	225	4 + 1 locomotive	82	5	4 3 3
30 March	5	182	6 + 1 locomotive	257	7	3 2 2
31 March	4	121	6	253	5	6 4 0
4 April	5	220	6	190	4	6 2 4
(daily average)						
March	4	153	4	152	5	4 2 2
February	4	125	4	113	4	4 2 2
January	4	133	4	145	4	4 1 2
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December	4	147	4	106	4	4 2 3
November	4	124	5	119	6	6 3 4
October	5	172	5	155	6	5 5 4

Comment: A detailed map of the Kalat area shows a village of Yakah Tut in Iran southwest of Dushak. According to the map, however, there is no road connecting Dushak with Yakah Tut.

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